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In Recent Apparitions Our Lady Is Saying: "MAKE MY MESSAGES KNOWN"

The Amsterdam Link With Akita

by John Bird
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(Mr. Bird is presently devoting his life to making media productions about the Blessed Virgin Mary. He has recently returned from filming in Japan, and his newest production, A Hill of Redemption, which includes the Akita phenomenon, has recently been released.)

In the early 1960s a small group of lay women with the encouragement of the local Bishop, came together in the north of the main island of Japan, to live together in community with vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. They called themselves the Sisters of the Institute of the Servants of the Eucharist. They lived in very poor circumstances, having bought a farmhouse in a place called Yuzawadai, outside the town of Akita.

In the late 1960s the Mother Superior of the Institute, whose name was Sister Kotake, became seriously ill. They managed to get some Lourdes water to her and she was miraculously healed. In thanksgiving they decided to have a statue of Our Blessed Lady made to place in their small chapel. One of the Sisters had a holy picture of a painting done by a German artist of the apparitions in Amsterdam in 1946 where our Blessed Lady appeared to a visionary whose name is Ida (she is still alive today). There Our Lady declared Herself as *The Lady of All Nations.*

Graces to All of Mankind

The German artist was commissioned to draw a painting of Our Lady's apparition, and although Ida was never really satisfied with it, Our Lady said that it was all right and the painting was completed. It shows Our Blessed Lady standing on the world with Her back to the cross, with Her hands outstretched with all the graces which come through Her Immaculate Heart, being poured out onto the whole of mankind, which is represented in the painting by sheep around the globe of the world.

The sisters took the holy picture that they had in Akita to a well known sculptor in the town. They knew that he was a Buddhist and previously might not have made any Christian designs, so they asked him to use the picture for spiritual inspiration and guidance. The wooden statue which he made represents almost entirely the image of the apparition in Amsterdam.

When the miraculous events in Yuzawadai (from 1973 to 1981) are considered... the shedding of blood from a wound in the hand of statue four times, the crying of tears 101 times, three apparitions of Our Lady with the statue coming alive and speaking to Sister Agnes Sasagawa, it can be seen that the choice of the image of the apparition of Amsterdam has great spiritual significance.

It is interesting to note that before the filming in Akita took place, I had been inspired by Our Blessed Lady to go to Garabandal, Spain on retreat to prepare for making the film. When I was there, I met a Dutch woman who started to tell me all about the apparition in Amsterdam in 1946 and gave me the messages which Our Blessed Lady had allegedly given to Ida.

At that time I had neither heard of the apparitions nor read any of the messages.

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Bishop Ito and Our Lady of Akita

In Japan, to my great surprise and joy, Bishop John Shojiro Ito asked if I knew how the statue came to be designed and I replied negatively. He said that it was directly linked with the Apparitions in Amsterdam.

A commission to study the apparitions reported to have taken place in Garabandal recently has been established by the Bishop and one is soon expected in Amsterdam.

OUR LADY ADDED A WORD!

In Akita, Bishop John S. Ito requested the sisters and their associates to recite daily the Eucharistic prayer which he composed, which Sister Agnes had said with her Guardian Angel, and to which Our Lady of Akita added one word (TRULY).

The 101 Foundation has just had this prayer printed in English on a laminated prayer card and it is available to anyone wishing to become an Associate of Akita. Associates of Akita agree to DAILY:

Recite the Eucharistic Prayer of Akita
Say the Rosary
Wear the Scapular
Make at least one sacrifice in reparation to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

The Eucharistic Prayer of Akita

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, TRULY present in the Holy Eucharist, I consecrate my body and soul to be entirely one with Your Heart being sacrificed at every instant on all the altars of the world and giving praise to the Father, pleading for the coming of His Kingdom.

Please receive this humble offering of myself. Use me as You will for the glory of the Father and the salvation of souls.

Most Holy Mother of God, never let me be separated from Your Divine Son. Please defend and protect me as Your special child. Amen.

Message from Amsterdam

The statue of Our Lady of Akita was designed from a picture of Our Lady of All Nations seen in an alleged apparition in Amsterdam in 1946 (see p. 1). A message from Our Lady of All Nations is as follows:

I am the Lady, Mary... Mother of All Nations. I have come today precisely to tell you that I wish to be known as this. Let all my children of all countries in the world be one. Look carefully. Listen to what I have to tell you. Look at my picture and study it well and imprint it clearly on your memory. I am standing on the globe and both my feet are firmly planted on it.

You can also see clearly my hands, my face, my hair and my veil... the rest is indistinct. Look closely at the cross which extends from my shoulders and above my head. Have this picture of me painted and together with it spread the prayer I have taught you. This is my wish and I desire this to be done in many languages. In these days I wish to be The Lady of All Nations, and therefore I ask you to have the prayer translated into all the principal languages and for it to be said every day.

I will explain why I have come in this way. I am the Lady standing in front of the Cross. My head, hands and feet are like those of a human being. The trunk though, belongs to the Spirit, because the Son came through the will of the Father. The Spirit is now to descend upon the world and this is why I desire people to pray for His coming. I am standing upon the globe because this message concerns the whole world. Look closely at the letters above my head: "The Lady of All Nations."

The whole world is degenerating and for this reason the Son sends The Lady of All Nations... Mary.

My child, I stand here and I wish to be the Mother of all nations... not of one special nation, but of all. Why do I stand like this? My body, like the Son, has been taken up. I stand as a sacrifice before the Cross, for I suffered both spiritually and bodily for my Son.

My child, just as He suffered, so I, the Mother of the Son of Man, suffered. Look closely at this cloth wrapped around the waist. This represents the loin cloth of Jesus. The picture of the Mother which you now see, is to precede a new dogma in the Church — the last dogma in Marian history.

The Son came into the world as the Redeemer of men, and the work of redemption was the Cross, with all its sufferings... both of body and spirit. He was sent by the Father. The Father and the Son wish now to send The Lady throughout the world. I stand on the globe of the world, before the Cross, which is firmly fixed on it. I stand as the Son's Mother who with Him has accomplished this work of redemption.

I stand here as the Co-redemptorix, Mediatrix and Advocate... the new dogma in the Church. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit will to send the Mother, chosen to bear the Redeemer into the world, as Co-redemptorix and as Advocate, to implore the Holy Spirit to come. The world will not be saved by force, but by the Spirit. At the moment She was chosen, The Lady was Co-redemptorix with the Redeemer.

The sheep you see represent the peoples of the world. They will not find rest and peace until they fix their eyes on the Cross, the center of the world. The rays of light from my hands are grace, redemption and peace. The Father, Our Lord and Master, through Grace, and because of His love for mankind sent His only begotten Son. The Father and the Son now wish to send the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, who alone can bring peace. Through Mary, the Lady of All Nations, Co-redemptorix, Mediatrix and Advocate, come grace, redemption and peace.

The Rosary... The Weapon!

from *Prophet of the People*, by Dorothy M. Gaudiose, p. 230

Padre Pio once said to one of his spiritual children. "Always hold the weapon of Mary tight in your hand. It will bring you victory over your enemies."

"What is this weapon?" she asked.

"It's on my Capuchin habit."

"But I don't see any weapon. I see only your Rosary beads."

"And isn't that a weapon?" asked Padre Pio.

Padre Pio was greatly devoted to the Blessed Mother, and he recited many Rosaries every day. Inside the monastery, one of his brothers caught up with him, and asked: "How many Rosaries do you say each day, Padre?"

"About forty," he replied.

"Forty by fifty Hail Marys is two thousand!"

"What? Is the Rosary made only of five decades?" (A complete Rosary consists of fifteen decades of Hail Marys and fifteen Our Fathers.)

Is it possible... 120 Rosaries a day... 600 decades!! Well, we know that Pope John Paul II, Mother Teresa, and many other busy people regularly say 15 decades a day. ARE YOU SURE that YOU can't find time to say even 5 decades? If so, maybe it is time for you to re-examine your priorities.

Impressions of Bessbrook

from *Medjugorje — The Message*, by Wayne Weible, p. 315

One memory I will never forget occurred when I had a chance to meet with Beulah Lynch, who was reported to be having visions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in a church at a place called Bessbrook, Northern Ireland. From her description, they appeared to be the same as were occurring in Medjugorje.

After visiting with her and her spiritual director, Father Gerard McGinnity, in Armagh, I was convinced she was authentic. In fact, I felt assurance upon meeting her.

She displayed the same spontaneous honesty and self-effacing humility that I had come to expect from Marija and the other Medjugorje visionaries. I could find nothing phony about this new visionary's reports. The essence of the messages she was receiving was identical in spirit as well as content: fast, pray, do penance, convert, and *make Christ the center of your life.*

But she related something I had not heard before: the Blessed Mother had told her the previous year that the world had about ten more years in which to *change its ways* back to God.

That meant we had until approximately 1997, give or take some time, depending on our response to Mary's call. This particular message was given not as a threat but rather *as a time of grace for as many as possible to follow the road to conversion to God.*

NOW is the Time to Win the Final Victory!

by John M. Haffert

Two religious events of worldwide significance took place in 1984, the effects of which are now seen in Eastern Europe.

Two years before, Bishops throughout the world received from the Pope copies of two acts of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, one of Russia and the other of the world. An accompanying letter informed the Bishops that in union with them His Holiness would renew these acts at Fatima on the following May 13th.

First Act of Consecration

The Pope went to Fatima and on May 13th, 1982, and on the 65th anniversary of the first apparition, made the act of consecration "in union with the Bishops of the world."

Afterwards His Holiness met at length with Sister Lucia who said that the consecration was not made exactly as Our Lord had requested because His Holiness had informed the Bishops, but had not asked them to JOIN with him in making the consecration.

The next day Lucia said that the consecration just made "*will have its effect, but it is too late. The Blue Army* (that is the World Apostolate of Fatima) *will have much to do.*"

One immediate effect of the 1982 consecration was that all the Bishops of the world had been informed, and now the need for their participation was emphasized. In preparation for a second consecration on March 25, 1984, the Holy Father called on all the Church to join in turning to Our Lady in a special way. Shortly afterward, he proclaimed a Marian year and issued the encyclical *Redemptoris Mater.*

That this consecration have the greatest possible solemnity, the Pope made it in St. Peter's Square in the presence of tens of thousands of the faithful before the statue of Our Lady which had been flown from Fatima for the occasion. Then the statue was borne in solemn procession to the main altar over the tomb of St. Peter for the completion of the ceremony.

Shortly afterwards Sister Lucia confirmed to the Apostolic Nuncio of Portugal that the consecration had now been made as Our Lord had asked.

Almost immediately afterwards, moves were made in Russia to place the control of the Soviet Union in the hands of Gorbachev, a man who had declared that RUSSIA HAD TO CHANGE.

Only *months after the consecration,* Gorbachev came to power. At the end of the Marian year, what most of us in the West considered *impossible* at the time *began to happen.* Gorbachev's Glasnost and Perestroika began to change Eastern Europe. The Iron Curtain was gone!

Is This the Promised Triumph?

Our Lady said at Fatima that Russia would be converted if Her requests were heard, and specifically that the conversion would take place after the Holy Father, together with all the Bishops of the world had made the act of consecration to Her Immaculate Heart.

When Lucia, under obedience, asked Our Lord why He insisted on this collegial consecration for the conversion of Russia, Our Lord answered:

"So that My entire Church will know that it is through the Immaculate Heart of My Mother that this favor was obtained." And He added that He wished, as a result, to see devotion to the Immaculate Heart of His Mother "placed alongside devotion to My Own Sacred Heart."

Meanwhile there are two more prophecies of Fatima which remain:

"*Several entire nations will be annihilated*" and "*An era of peace will be granted to mankind.*" These two prophecies are interrelated.

Almost at the same time as the collegial consecration in 1984, a Bishop in Japan issued a pastoral letter declaring that *the Mother of God had appeared in his diocese with a new message for the world.* The Bishop said it was the same as the message of Fatima, but it stressed that *the great chastisement* predicted at Fatima... the annihilation of several entire nations... would now take place *if the world continued to ignore* Her messages and tears.

The triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary requires a change in men's hearts. It means a triumph of love, a triumph of Christianity in its deepest sense. It means the reign of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus... and for that "the Blue Army will have much to do" in this period of change and hope.

The triumph is to come either after annihilation of entire nations or through Grace, and *God has shown us by the miracle of Fatima and the changes in Eastern Europe* that it can come through Grace.

Confirmed in our faith, can we not greatly increase our response so that without a terrible chastisement, the world may find its way into that era of peace of mankind... that era of the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, that era when Christianity will finally be really put into practice and found to be the answer to the longings of man for a world of men living as brothers... a world really at peace?

May the hundreds of thousands throughout the world who have made the Akita Associates or Blue Army pledge live it ever more sincerely and profoundly, joining cells, stimulating others to respond in depth to dry the tears of Our Lady whose heart is pierced with thorns of abortion, promiscuity, substance abuse, nationalistic strife and pervasive materialism.

Now we know we can balance the scales of Divine Justice if we respond generously to Our Lady's appeal at Fatima to which She now joins Her tears at Akita.

In a word, now is not the time to sit back and say the victory is ours. Now is the time to win the FINAL victory.

Our Lady of All Nations
(Compare this picture with *Our Lady of Akita* as seen on page 1).

WHY AM I STILL WEEPING?

(Locution through Fr. Stefano Gobbi, Akita, Japan, September 15, 1987; Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows)

"I have wanted you here, O son so loved by me and so plotted against by my adversary, at the liturgy which commemorates my sorrows and my motherly sharing in all the immense suffering of my Son Jesus.

"In this journey of yours, so strewn with extraordinary graces which come from my Immaculate Heart and descend into the souls of my beloved ones and of all my children, I have led you today to this place blessed by me, before the statue which recalls the mystery of my co-redemption.

"I stood beneath the Cross of Jesus, I am beneath the cross each of my sons is carrying. I am beneath the cross which the Church and all this poor sinful humanity is carrying today. I am true Mother and true Co-redemptrix.

"From the eyes of this image of myself I have caused miraculous tears to fall more than a hundred times and over the course of several years.

Why Am I Still Weeping?

"I am weeping because humanity is not accepting my motherly invitation to conversion and to its return to the Lord. It is continuing to run with obstinacy along the road of rebellion against God and against his law of love. The Lord is openly denied, outraged and blasphemed. Your heavenly Mother is publicly despised and held up for ridicule. My extraordinary requests are not being accepted; the signs of my immense sorrow which I am giving are not believed in.

"Your neighbor is not loved; every day attacks are made upon his life and his goods. Man is becoming ever more corrupt, godless, wicked and cruel. A chastisement worse than the flood is about to come upon this poor and perverted humanity. Fire will descend from heaven and this will be the sign that the justice of God has as of now fixed the hour of his great manifestation.

"I am weeping because the Church is continuing along the road of division, of loss of the true faith, of apostasy and of errors which are being spread more and more without anyone offering opposition to them. Even now, that which I predicted at Fatima and that which I have revealed here in the third message confided to a little daughter of mine is in the process of being accomplished. And so, even for the Church the moment of its great trial has come, because the man of iniquity will establish himself within it and the abomination of desolation will enter into the holy temple of God.

"I am weeping because, in great numbers, the souls of my children are being lost and going to hell.

"I am weeping because too few are those who accede to my request to pray, to make reparation, to suffer and to offer.

"I am weeping because I have spoken to you and have not been listened to; I have given you miraculous signs and I have not been believed; I have manifested myself to you in a strong and continuous way but you have not opened the doors of your hearts to me.

"At least you, my beloved ones and children consecrated to my Immaculate Heart, little remnant which Jesus is guarding jealously in the secure enclosure of his divine love, harken to and accept this sorrowful request of mine which, from this place I address again today to all the nations of the earth. Prepare yourselves to receive Christ in the splendor of his glory, because the great day of the Lord has even now arrived."

Consoling Words:

"Father, what happens to the souls of babies who die before they are baptized?"

What a difficult question, since the Church has not declared herself on this vexing question. In Alfred and Elizabeth Williams book, *Two Hearts of Wit & Wisdom*, p. 93, we read this true story:

It all started at Hotel Dieu Hospital in New Orleans. A very holy priest was dying of a terminal illness. A little lady, a daily communicant, Miss Noelie Cire, was also at the hospital visiting her mother who too was dying. Noelie visited Father, prayed with him and comforted him, and then one day she asked him this very question.

"What happens to the souls of babies who die before they are baptized?" Surprisingly, Father simply said:

"If I die first I'll tell you — if you die first you tell me!" Some answer! Soon after, this holy priest did die, and Noelie Cire had this most unusual dream:

Father gave an answer to this very difficult question, he said: "You see, my dear it's this way: when a man and woman stand at the altar taking their marriage-vows, they imply explicitly or implicitly that if they have one child or ten children and more, all of them will be positively baptized. This is then accepted by Almighty God as a desire for any future baptisms.

Three Kinds of Baptism

"As you know, there are three kinds of baptism: baptism of *water*... the usual manner of baptizing; baptism of *blood*... giving one's blood in case of a martyr; baptism of *desire*... desiring to be baptized but unable to do so.

"In the case of a normal baptism by water, it is not the desire of the baby, but rather the desire of the parents to partake of this Sacrament. So then, the desire of the parents really counts! In other words, if a baby dies before being baptized, the baptism of desire of the parents is sufficient. God so accepts it as a full baptism!"

Noelie answered, "But Father, if that's the case, how come we all don't know about this consoling situation? Why is it kept hidden?"

"You see, my dear," Father continued:

"If this was generally known, people would be very lax in having their children baptized Sacramentally, which is very important also." (The church teaches that only the baptized will see the Beautific Vision, a happiness second to none.)

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In the book: "*Our Lady Speaks to her Beloved Priests*." Under the heading: 'The Smallest of My Children' (p. 398, Sept. 8, 1983, Feast of the Nativity of Mary) Our Blessed Mother said to Fr. Gobbi:

"To me, little ones are all those infants who, already conceived, are to be put to death purposely while still in the wombs of their mothers. The love and the anxiety of your heavenly Mother, and of the Church, for their salvation with the innocent blood being spilled by those who despise and disobey the Law of God, are a baptism of blood and desire, saving all of them."

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BLESS?

From *The Medjugorje Star* ,
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This question was addressed in a talk given by Fr. Slavko in Medjugorje on March 26, 1987. This talk was given in German and translated into English, sentence by sentence on the altar in St. James Church.

What does it mean to bless? If we think of the Latin word we will find it easier to understand - Benedicte - that means to speak well.

So when Mary says, "I bless you," then the first meaning is that She speaks good about us in front of God. When She says that, She creates a better atmosphere for us, She doesn't judge us, but She speaks good things about us, even if we are in sin. And if we know that She is with us in this way, then we have more courage to really start and try again.

The visionaries tell us that She blesses everybody every night. You don't have to be in the room in order to be blessed. Her blessing is stronger than the walls. We don't have to fight in front of the rectory. (Recall that the apparitions were taking place in the rectory at this time.) We get the blessing when we pray here.

Yesterday I was wondering because someone asked me, "How can Mary bless? Isn't that something only the church can do?" Blessing is something we should all do. You bless somebody if you wish them good. You bless if you don't speak bad about people, or if you tell them don't speak badly about somebody else. The minute you do that you are creating new space for the other person within you. Especially the mothers, they should bless. From the beginning when they educate their children, when they speak good things in front of the child, this is how they bless.

And look how much evil comes because we speak badly in front of our families. Look how much evil comes because through movies we get so many bad things in our families. All these things create the atmosphere. And then we are more astonished if there are more and more people aggressive, or who get nervous, or open for alcohol or drugs. There is too little blessing and too few people who bless. Therefore, I repeat blessing is the creating of a new and positive atmosphere or situation.

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In the book *God Calling*, p.52, we are advised to: "See the good in everybody. Love the good in them. See your unworthiness compared with their worth."

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In *Poem of the Man-God*, Vol. 1, p. 517, Jesus says: "Good people do not criticize. *Never*. They understand."

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Julia, the contemporary visionary of Naju, Korea, relates the following experience:

At this time Our Lady lamented people judging each other, criticizing each other. She presented a horrifying vision of people as they talked against each other having worms coming out of their mouths. These worms, when they fell to the earth, united and took on the forms of devils. But whenever someone would speak with love, a beautiful melody seemed to come from their mouths which caused the worms to be consumed with fire.

Julia saw an immense number of persons dominated by the work of satan because of the hatred they bore toward one another, not knowing how to forgive. And the worms didn't die even if the people tried to step on them violently to crush them. Only love, words of love, caused them to be destroyed. And then Our Lady said: "My daughter, have you seen? This is why the anger of God has arrived at its zenith and will cause chastisements to descend upon the world."

Julia answered that she prayed that many sinners would be saved, and she would be willing herself to go to hell if she could save them. She offered her life, and begged that the Will of the Lord be accomplished in her, poor sinner. And the Virgin said:

"Yes, I thank you. Pray with this profound spirit of sacrifice and this great spirit of mortification. And when, because of me, you are injured and persecuted, or when you are criticized or calumniated, offer it all graciously without being discouraged. Offer it all to God. You will enable Him to save many sinners from the misery of their sins."

In Akita, Japan, on September 28, 1981, Sister Agnes suddenly felt the presence of the Angel at her side during the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. She did not see the Angel in person but a Bible appeared open before her eyes and she was invited to read a passage (Genesis 3:15)... the voice of the Angel was heard explaining in sort of a preamble that the passage had relationship with the tears of Mary, then continued:

"There is a meaning to the figure one ***hundred and one.*** *This signifies that sin came into the world by a woman and it is also by a woman that salvation came to the world. The zero between the two signifies the Eternal God who is from all eternity until eternity. The first one represents Eve and the last the Virgin Mary."*

God Bless You!!

It seems to me, there is no way
in which I could address you,
With more sincerity of heart
then just to say... God Bless You.

My words could wish that all your cares
would be a little lighter,
And I could send you notes and cards
to make your hours brighter.

My heart could wish good luck to you
and happiness extending,
And I could promise you the depth
of human understanding.

But I am sure no other thought
or message would impress you,
As lovingly or lastingly
as asking God to Bless You.

And saying, "Have a good day!"
is a pleasant wish indeed,
But wishing God to Bless You
fulfills a greater need!

And so I say... God Bless You
in every good endeavor,
And may His guiding grace be yours
this moment... and forever.

(SAY IT TODAY)

The Pope...
& The RIGHT Road!

By John M. Haffert

A few years ago a startling book was published in Paris called "The Woman of All Peoples." It revealed the possibility of extraordinary aids which the Pope may be receiving in these times. Written by Raoul Auclair, the book contains messages transmitted by a Dominican confessor to Pope Pius XII which a woman in Holland claimed to have received from the Blessed Virgin.

She foretold the exact time of the Holy Father's death. She foretold Vatican Council II. She asked that the Eucharistic fast be abolished six years before Pope Pius XII did it. She asked for the Feast of Mary's Queenship and the Coronation which the Pope accomplished in 1954.

All in all, fifty-six visions are recounted in detail from 1945 over a period of twelve years, touching on such subjects as: the need for white persons to accept the black with love and into the unity of the faith; to see the Church as a Community; need for the United Nations; a United Europe; gradual return of faith to England and that Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury would meet the Pope; need for greater social apostolate in the Church; need for changes in seminaries; changes in religious communities; danger of over-extension of American political action in the Orient; and many other counsels, especially unity.

A Great Action Must Commence

It is interesting to note one of the prophecies and warnings ascribed to Our Lady in Holland as recounted in this book; "The time of Our Lord is coming. But before will come a time of trouble. Humanism. Paganism. The atheists and serpents will come first to try once more to govern the world. I have come to tell you this and that a great action must commence... Those outside must seek justice. If it is not found the world will again be lost... Truth is within, but not outside... " and then written in the air appeared the word:

ENCYCLICALS and the Lady added: "Behold the right road!"

Then, becoming very sad She added: "But they are not lived."

But again the thought immediately comes to our mind: Do we need visions to know this? Does not common sense tell us that Christ keeps His promise to abide with His Church? Are His own words not still valid, that He built the Church on the rock (Peter) and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it?

Instead of following what "experts" say, does it not make sense to follow ONLY what the Holy Father chooses... out of the fullness of his knowledge and light... to tell us? In these days should we not cling to his every word, knowing that the holiness of the Church and the promise of Christ sustain him?

By the accident of work which takes me to many countries, and aided with knowledge of several languages, I hear perhaps more than the average person about "supernatural intervention" in our day: I have talked personally with some of the recognized "saints" like Lucia of Fatima and Padre Pio, and I know about "apparitions" and "miracles" of which most persons have never heard. And one great message comes from all authentic sources to the people of our times:

"Follow the Holy Father!"

Jacinta's Prophecies About the Pope

Our Lady of Fatima foretold that "the Holy Father will have much to suffer." She instilled in the children of Fatima a special love for the Pope... even though they did not fully understand the mystery of apostolic succession and the special gift of Jesus to His Church: A vicar of Himself.

This devotion was especially great in the heart of the tiniest of the three children, little Jacinta. Lucia tells us in her memoirs (Martins ed., p. 229) that one day when she and Francis had left Jacinta as they climbed a bank to look for some honey in a thicket: Jacinta called out to them:

"Didn't you see the Holy Father?"

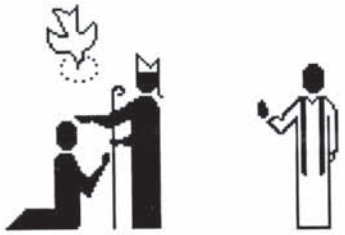
"No." Lucia answered. And Jacinta told them:

"I saw the Holy Father in a very large house kneeling before a table with his face in his hands. He was crying.

"Many people were in front of the house; some were throwing stones, while others were cursing him and using foul language. Poor Holy Father! We need to pray a lot for him!"

Another time Jacinta cried out: "Don't you see many, many roads, highways and fields jammed with people weeping for hunger for they had nothing to eat? And the Holy Father praying in a church before the Immaculate Heart of Mary? And many people praying with him?"

Ever-after seeing that vision of the Pope, Jacinta used to add three Hail Marys to every Rosary "for the poor Holy Father." Many of the prayers and sacrifices she offered up to the time of her saintly death, the child offered for the Pope. Let us faithfully follow the vicar of Christ and as Jacinta did, pray for him each day.



In apparitions all over the world, the Blessed Virgin asks that we pray for, assist and appreciate our priests. Think how fortunate we are that God has given us these good men to help save and serve us.

Read this poem, and then please read it again a second time pondering the words and elavating your mind and your heart to God, and offer it to Him as a prayer for all priests:

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Keep them, I pray Thee, dearest Lord,
Keep them, for they are Thine —
Thy priests whose lives burn out before
Thy consecrated shrine.

Keep them for they are in the world,
Though from the world apart
When earthly pleasures tempt, allure —
Shelter them in Thy heart.

Keep them, and comfort them in hours
Of loneliness and pain,
When all their life of sacrifice
For souls seems but in vain.

Keep them, and O remember Lord
They have no one but Thee —
Yet they have only human hearts
With human frailty.

Keep them as spotless as the Host
That daily, they caress —
Their every thought and word and deed
Deign, dearest Lord, to bless.

Send a Priest, Brother or Sister on Pilgrimage for only $100!

How is it possible to send a religious on a pilgrimage for such a small amount of money?

We NEED and WANT a number of clergy and religious on all of our pilgrimages. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every priest, brother and nun could have the opportunity of visiting a Marian Shrine! *It could bring about the triumph of Mary's Immaculate Heart all the sooner!*

Our destinations are sites of former or current Marian Apparitions all over the world and we are committed to daily Mass and as well as three daily Rosaries. When people ask about our pilgrimages, we respond... don't sign up for any one of them unless *YOU LIKE TO PRAY!*

The program to sponsor a priest, brother or sister works in two ways:

1) Someone may pay $100 and submit a name. When there are ten names, the top one may select the pilgrimage of his or her choice valued up to $1000.

2) We are usually given one free trip for every 15 or 20 names, depending on the particular pilgrimage. That free package can be used by a religious, if he or she selects it. Therefore, instead of taking the profit from the free package, our income is the $100 given to maintain the program.

Since religious are very busy people, the option of a choice of any pilgrimage which we offer remains with no expiration date. If the pilgrimage selected costs more than $1000, the participant must pay the balance. If less, the excess goes to support the next person on the list. The clergy member is asked to assist with Mass, the Rosary, and other spiritual exercises.

Simply send $100 and the FULL name, address and phone number of the religious member you select. He or she will receive the 101 Times and all of our pilgrimage information.

The 101 Foundation is approximately one year old, and already four individuals have been benefactors of this program! Do consider sending your favorite priest, brother or sister on a pilgrimage. It may be an opportunity of a lifetime and *it is certain to have its effect on many souls.*

Pilgrimage Program:

Exciting news!

Akita and Tokyo coming up in Oct. 8 to 18 of 1990 and Sept. 4 to 14 of 1991 (ten days and 8 nights - 4 nights in Tokyo and 4 nights in Akita). In Akita we will be staying at the convent and we will have an opportunity to meet Bishop Ito and to see Sister Agnes Sasagawa.

The October pilgrimage will be led by none other than Fr. Gerard McGinnity from Ireland. He is famous there and will soon be in this country. Send for a free audio tape made by him and you will see why we are so excited that he will be leading the October group. What's more... the PRICE is at rock bottom. Can you imagine... only $1799 from the west coast and $1999 from mid-country and the east coast. There is a low-cost optional side trip available to Lake Hakone and Mt. Fugi, as well as an optional 3 day Nagasaki extension.

From June 4 to 14, 1991, on the feasts of the ***Two Hearts***, we will be going to the countries of ***Belgium, France, Germany and Luxembourg*** (all by deluxe motorcoach) on a 10 day - 8 night pilgrimage, especially planned for us by John Haffert. He has selected some of the most appropriate locations to celebrate the Two Hearts feasts. The price of $1499 includes a Sabena air flight, and visits to Beauraing, Luxembourg, Strasbourg, Freiburg, Beaune, Paray le Monial, Nevers, Bourges, Pellevoisin, Tours, Loire, Paris, Rue du Bac, Amiens, and Bruges. There is other exciting news about this pilgrimage, but at this time it cannot be divulged.

From July 3 to July 18, 1991 we will be going on a 15 day - 13 night pilgrimage which we have been looking forward to the most. We know that more than four ***Marian apparitions*** recently have been or are still taking place in ***Ireland***. Fr. Gerard McGinnity is the spiritual director in a number of the visionaries, and he has planned this pilgrimage for us. It will be the FIRST U.S. group he will be leading and several of the visionaries will be with us during the pilgrimage. The price of $1998 will include visits to Bessbrook, Gortnadreha, Knock, Melleray Grotto, Inchigeela and others. We will see sights not commonly seen by most pilgrims.

The popular silent retreats in ***Fatima*** will still be taking place off season when we can take advantage of the lower costs.

We will be in Fatima six nights and a minimum offering for 3 meals daily and a single or double room is $25 per person or $150. Trips are usually Thursday to Thursday, usually from Newark and always via TAP commercial airlines (which even serves free wine with their delicious meals).

Silence will be maintained for 3 days during the organized retreat by retreat master Fr. Hugh McSherry, priest in residence at Domus Pacis where we will be staying. It is located just behind the Fatima Basilica. The balance of the days will be spent "experiencing" Fatima in some exciting ways. At these low prices, this is an opportunity of a lifetime. Price for a flight to Portugal, land transportation to Fatima and upcoming Fatima Retreat dates are:

Sept. 10 to 17, 1990	$599
Oct. 11 to 18, 1990	$599
Nov. 8 to 15, 1900	$499
Dec. 6 to 13, 1990	$499
Jan. 10 to 17, 1991	$499
Feb. 7 to 14, 1991	$499
Mar. 7 to 14, 1991	$499
April 11 to 20, 1991	$599
May 2 to 11, 1991	$599
Sept. 11 to 18, 1991	$599
Oct. 10 to 17, 1991	$599
Nov. 7 to 14, 1991	$499
Dec. 5 to 12, 1991	$499

All of our pilgrimages include a priest on each bus, and daily: Mass, three Rosaries, breakfast and dinner. Prices listed are based on double occupancy (except for the Fatima retreats) and a deposit of $150 per person is required. Write or call for more information or full itineraries.

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A) I will recite the short prayer daily.
B) I will say the Rosary daily.
C) I will wear the Scapular.
D) I will make at least one sacrifice daily in reparation to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Sign here:_____
(Names of members will be sent to Akita, Japan, and placed near the statue of Our Lady of Akita.)

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